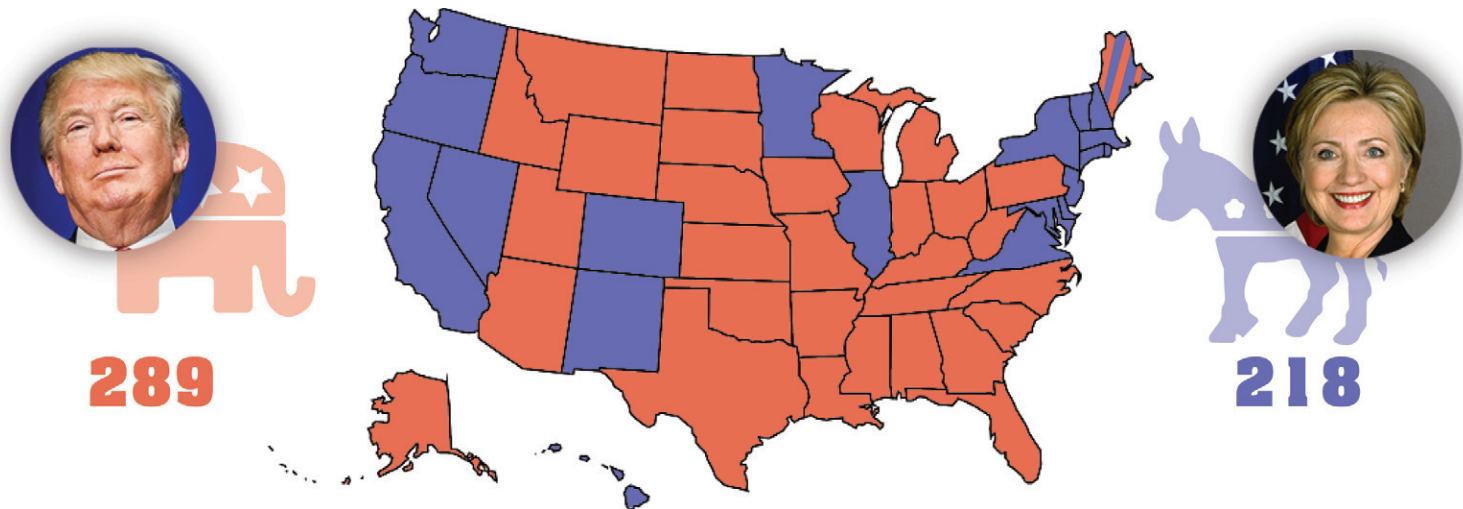
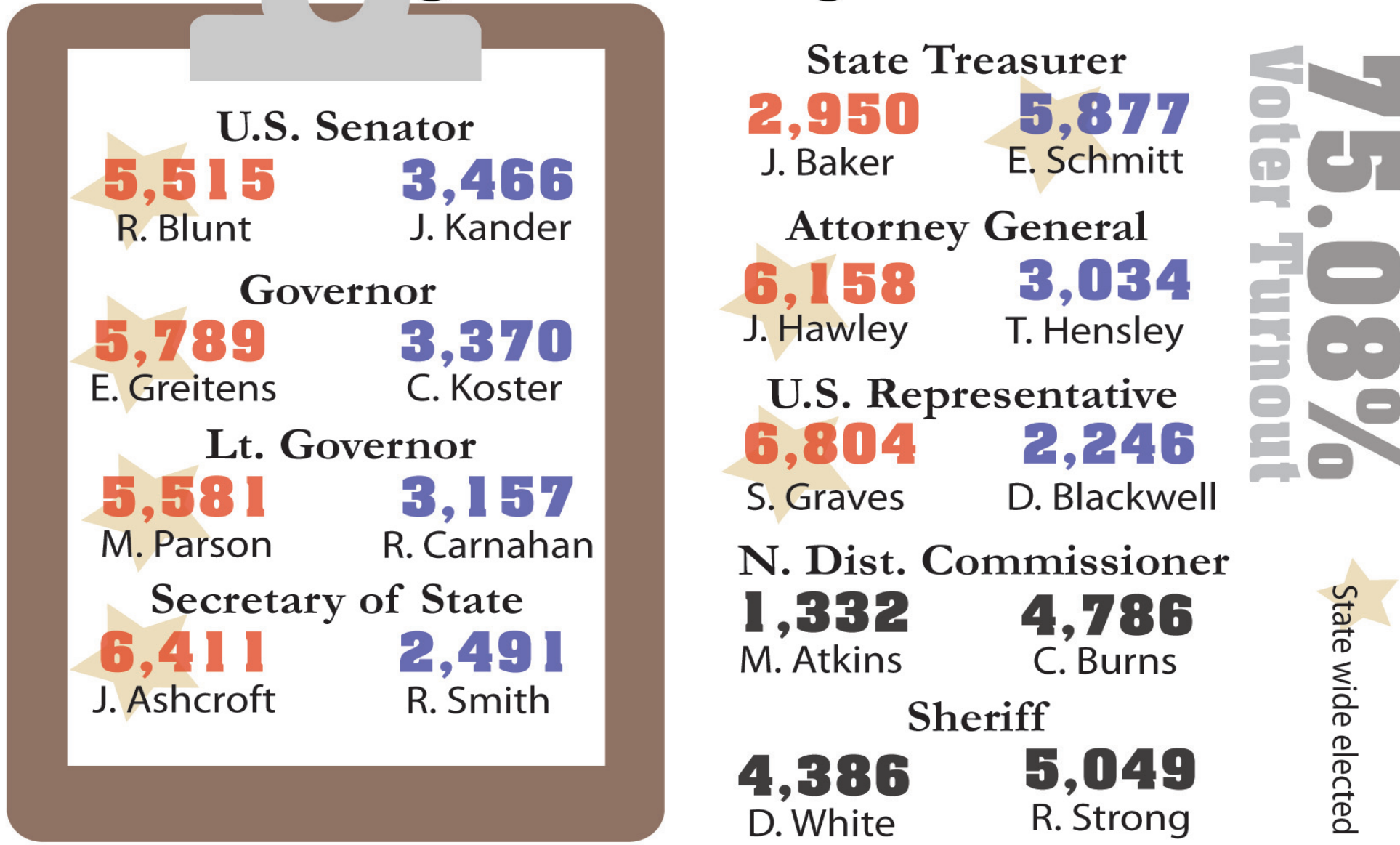


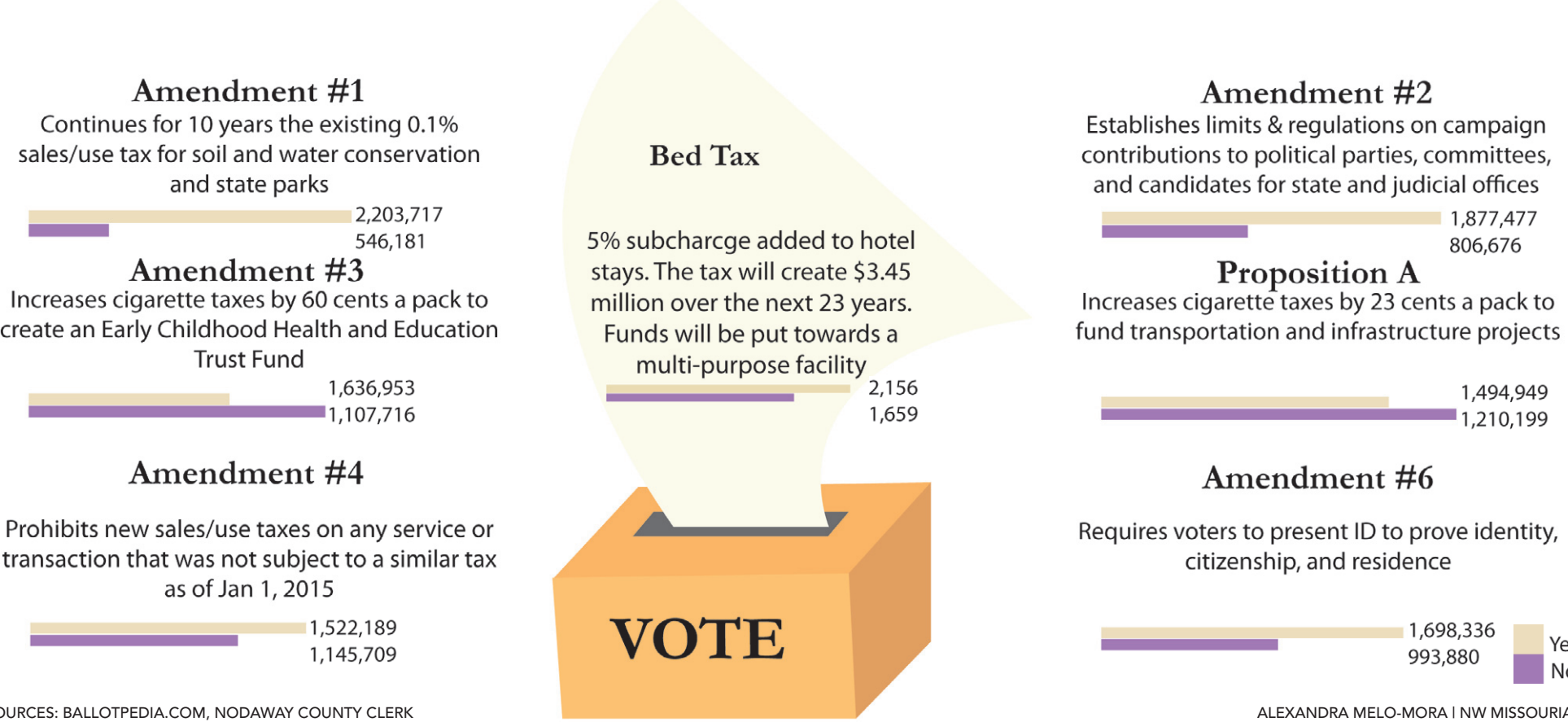
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Plan encourages change within academics

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As the Campus Master Plan nears completion, Northwest Missouri State University officials unveil some proposed projects, promising a brighter future for academics.

During Java with Jazz, Oct. 20 and 26, Northwest Missouri State University President John Jasinski explained the purpose of the Campus Master Plan (CMP).

Jasinski said the CMP is a result of a 15-month survey. The survey was conducted by Ayers Saint Gross, a firm out of Baltimore, Maryland, that provides master planning and architectural services for college and university campuses. Jasinski says the CMP aligns with the University's agenda.

"We have a strategic plan, it's guiding us. It's what we breathe, eat and sleep. The Campus Master Plan is a tool to help us achieve the strategic plan, and so is our Forever Green campaign, that \$45 million campaign we've launched to go out and raise money," Jasinski said.

Following the 15-month survey, Ayers Saint Gross called attention to six keys issues: deferred maintenance, lack of gathering and meeting spaces, mixed quality of instructional spaces, uneven residential experience, lack of front door appeal and connectivity/access.

The agency also provided the University with four guiding principles: utilize resources wisely, maintain the compact campus, connect the campus internally and to Maryville and creating a strong first impression. Jasinski says the CMP, a guiding document, is a list of possibilities.

"We don't pretend that we're going to do everything the Campus Plan proposes. The Campus Master Plan is a list of possibilities; it's a sense of where we might go in the next three to five, five to 10 and

10 plus years. We, the Northwest Leadership Team, believes that because we haven't really had a Campus Master Plan refreshed over the years, we have to take this one and refresh it every three to four years because of the fast changing pace of our environment. That way we can be agile as an organization," Jasinski said.

For the first guiding principle, utilize resources wisely, Ayers Saint Gross suggested the University look at 11 distinct areas.

One of three guideposts focused on during Java with Jazz included migrating academic space. Jasinski says an example of migrating academic space includes the Hubbard Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (CIE).

"When that building was funded, it was based on academic building and incubation for businesses, a two-fold, mixed facility. But, as we've studied the patterns of that building and what's happening around us, the rest of the campus, it's pretty obvious to us we have an opportunity," Jasinski said.

Jasinski says the opportunity involves the School of Agricultural Sciences, which has continued to grow throughout recent years.

"The School of Agricultural Sciences has grown 30 percent in the last four years, 11 percent, I think, from last year to this year. We have ag research plots right outside of the CIE. The farm is just a couple miles north of the CIE. We have an opportunity to uplift our farm and we have an opportunity to build an Agricultural Learning Center out at the farm, for a lot of different needs. But we've been studying, and we believe that we can move Ag Sciences from Valk to the CIE. Uplift the CIE, uplift Ag Sciences and incubate ag-based companies," Jasinski said.

The University plans to move the School of Agricultural Sciences to the CIE during the summer, with a



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Northwest President John Jasinski relays projected projects, outlined in the Campus Master Plan, to faculty and students.

projected opening shortly before the Fall 2017 trimester.

Northwest Missouri State University Provost Timothy Mottet says the University's first priority, as it relates to learning and teaching, is the Agricultural Learning Center.

Mottet says the facility will feature an Exhibition Hall, allowing the University to host events and functions.

"It also allows us to bring in large farm equipment, so our students can look at the farm equipment that involves with precision agriculture. The same is true for large animals. If we needed to bring a large animal into a facility and bring students to the large animal, so that we could study the large animal, this exhibition facility allows us to do that

as well."

The building will also provide additional instruction space, including a large classroom that can be divided into three separate classrooms, a smaller classroom, similar to the model and a series of labs.

Mottet says not only is the School of Agricultural Sciences expanding their instructional space, but also their curriculum.

"In the past, we've been agriculture, and we're now adding food. We're now agriculture and food, so we're trained to bridge the divide between the producer of food and the consumer of food," Mottet said.

Mottet says students will learn to bridge the gap between the producer and consumer through a series of labs.

"There will be a series of labs

that will be food science labs: meats, dairy and a commercial kitchen. So, it's allowing us to test food products that are grown on our farm, where we can measure, I'm assuming, levels of something that would be good and healthy for us," Mottet said.

Jasinski says another example of migrating academic space includes moving facilities.

"We moved our facilities group years and years ago, out to the west, if you will. But there's still an east facilities building that we actually use quite well, and the bones of that are pretty good, for the most part. But, we've got space out west; we can move east facilities out there."

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Community, campus come together to discuss policing

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Keynote Speaker Dr. Ty-Ron Douglas met with students and faculty Nov. 2 to continue an ongoing conversation about diversity and inclusivity in the United States.

"Place and Complex Space: Policing in Modern America" played out at the Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts. At the end of the event a feature panel including Northwest Assistant professor of political science Dan Smith, Northwest Assistant professor of criminal justice Kim Casey, director of Maryville Public Safety Keith Wood and ACLU member Sarah Baker answered questions directed by students.

Student Senate sponsored the event with Northwest's Office of Student Affairs, the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, the Criminal Justice Club and Pre-Law Society.

In an interview with the University Student Senate President, Hannah Sears said the event will serve as an extension of ongoing dialogue begun at Northwest last fall and aligned with the University's strategic plan.

"The nature of this event directly aligns with the strategic objective regarding diversity, equity, and inclusion," Sears said. "Student Senate, alongside some fantastic mentorship has put together an inspiring agenda for the event."

Douglas is an assistant professor in the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis, and an affiliate faculty member of the

black studies program at the University of Missouri-Columbia. His lecture followed the teaching he gives to his students including topics of race, diversity, inclusion, social systems, inequality and prejudice.

Douglas challenged audience members to be 'proactive before the protest.'

"We are in a reality where many people of color are highly visible but then you also have a reality where many are invisible at times," Douglas said. "We are living in oxymoronic bedlam."

Douglas acknowledged that we are working towards a better future, but have a lot of work ahead of us.



"We become so conditioned to miss some things, that nobody even talks about it and I want to awaken us perhaps to some things we have missed in the past," Douglas said.

After Douglas spoke, Baker was first to give her introductory remarks before the question and answer portion. Baker brought up the Constitutional Policing Act which she said aims to set additional guidelines for the police and build up community trust with the police and the communities they serve.

"Not only is everyone being touched by the Criminal Justice System but we're also creating victim's of crime as well when people do not feel inclined to report them," Baker said.


Baker also noted the ACLU's work on the School and Prison Pipeline which looks at how schools penalize minority students and how those penalties add to suspensions or expulsions for minority students.

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Donation put toward advanced technology

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Maryville’s hospital became the first healthcare provider north of Kansas City to receive state-of-the-art mammography equipment.

Purchase of the mammography equipment was made possible by a donation from the St. Francis Hospital Foundation. The foundation presented the hospital with a \$690,000 check at its quarterly meeting to make new upgrades throughout the hospital. Seven departments will benefit from the donation.

Patrons can expect to see the most change throughout the mammography unit, which has been up and running since April. St. Francis bought a new 3-D mammography unit, which is 40 percent better than traditional screenings.

Mammography technician Megan Auffert says the new machine adds a few more pictures during the screening process, but the rest of the process is the same as before. The new machine has resulted in a lower number of callback for women who receive screening.

“St. Francis has already had an 80 percent reduction in the scary callbacks that require patients to come back in and get additional images,” Development Officer for the St. Francis Foundation Megan Jennings said.

The foundation is the fundraising arm of the hospital and supports it in any way possible, according to Jennings.

The foundation focuses on providing the best care for residents in Northwest Missouri, whether through new technology or remodels.

“These improvements come at a pretty heavy price tag, and this past year, our donors helped in benefiting our patients here in Northwest Missouri,” Jennings said.

The hospital uses money from the foundation to focus primarily on outpatient care.

The hospital already implemented these changes in its new 3-D mammography unit, new furnishings for the emergency room and a new birthing bed.

Changes to the emergency room



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St. Francis is the first hospital in the northern part of Missouri to receive updated mammography equipment.

include two new private rooms and a central nurse’s station, helping the flow of the emergency unit.

The hospital plans to get i-STAT blood analytic equipment, which provides health officials with real-

time, quick blood analytics so patients can receive early screenings, according to Jennings.

In the future, the foundation hopes to raise enough money for a new preschool and childcare facility.

“Our facility holds 63 families with quite a few still on the waiting list. We’re going to expand, as we received \$1.5 million from the State of Missouri for a \$3 million facility to hold about 136 families,”

Jennings said.

Jennings says this will hopefully provide an opportunity for Northwest Missouri State University practicum students studying early child development.

Bearcat Marching Band experiences biggest numbers in Northwest history

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Students and teachers marvel over the recent growth of the Bearcat Marching Band.

Director of Athletic Bands Kathryn Strickland has seen significant growth in the band over the past four years.

This year, the band exceeds past membership, with 175 members. That is a 22 percent increase from last year’s total of 135. Strickland notes the increase is due to multiple factors.

“I think several factors contribute,” Strickland said. “Foremost is probably the students who were in the BMB last year. They are our greatest recruiters. The conversa-

tions they have with their peers who are still in high school, and the advertising they do for us is irreplaceable. We had a fun and successful year last year, and when people are happy, they come back and tend to encourage others to join.”

Last year the BMB had a performance in Park Hill that was well received by students.

“I would also attribute it to a great performance we had in front of a large audience of high school band members at the Park Hill District Band Festival last fall. They loved our show, and our students did an amazing job making it a captivating one,” Strickland said.

She said increased exposure has also helped.

“I also think our increased presence via social media, YouTube and

other University avenues including the great recruiting staff at Mabel Cook have put us on the radar of more students and helped to introduce them to who we are and what we do,” Strickland said. “Our hype videos, created by BMB member Adam Bochart, are a great example of that.”

Freshman Ryan Woltkamp, tenor saxophone for the BMB, has played in a band since he was 11. He said size does nothing to affect the closeness of the members.

“It’s the culture,” Woltkamp said. “It’s the people you meet, the relationships you make. This is the time you spend having fun. The marching really, at least for me, is secondary to having fun. That makes it pretty tight knit. It’s a very friendly environment.”

Color guard member Brian Chaney adds to that, telling how the color guard side feels with the band.

“I think that the BMB is a really good program, and I think that one of the best things is that Dr. Strickland always has us playing music when we’re in the stands,” Chaney said. “That really creates a great atmosphere and makes it feel like a family. I really feel a sense of closeness in the BMB. A lot of people know each other and there’s a lot of bonds. There’s not a lot sections rivalries and there’s a sense of camaraderie.”

A lot of the BMB is student-run. There are section leaders, drum majors, board members and more. There is also a group called Game Day Management which decides when the band plays songs in the stands and what songs it does play in

the stands. The students have a precise practice time of 4:15 p.m., and practice for about an hour every day. Both Woltkamp and Chaney noted how efficient and precise practice is every week.

Strickland said it was important to note how hard her students work.

“I think it’s important for people to know that, while many of our members are music majors, the majority are not,” Strickland said. “They rehearse daily, and that can include heat in the 90s, cold in the 30s, high wind and rain. We’ve marched in the snow before, too. They also commit to an hour a week outside of the BMB class period to rehearse in small groups (as needed) and their game days start hours before kick off. And they do it all with a smile on their face.”

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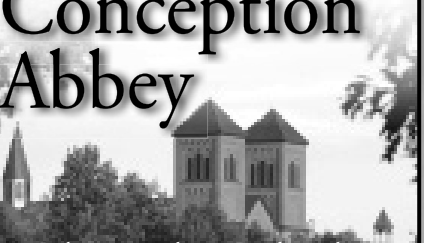
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The nation needs to heal, come together

Whether you voted Democrat, Republican, third-party or Harambe, Donald Trump will be the new President of the United States.

This election has been the most controversial to date and voters stood in line for hours to make their voices heard, with 52 percent of popular votes against Trump.

As a country, we must move past this election. Keeping your Clinton yard signs or bumper stickers displayed and arguing with your friends and family members on Facebook will do nothing for your case.

Although Trump has some questionable values and ideas for our country, this is not the end of the world or even the time to move to Canada. Whether or not you voted for Trump, he will be our president for the next four years.

We understand your concern, but Trump could not have made it this far without a few acceptable ideas.

A few of Trump’s stances include leaving gay marriage at a state-level, criminalizing abortion, decreasing taxes for the rich and both deporting immigrants and building a wall between the U.S. and Mexico. These ideas are amazing. If you are a rich, straight, white male, that is.

As a rich, straight, white male, Trump should not be concerning himself with these topics. Gay marriage has already been passed and affects no one other than the couples who are now able to get married. Because only a woman can receive an abortion, abortion should be up to no one but the woman trying to receive an abortion.

If you are a person of color, LG-

BTQ, a woman or a survivor of sexual assault, it is very easy to feel personally victimized by Trump. As American citizens, we should not wake up in fear because of our president’s views on anyone different than him. We should never have to fear for basic human rights.

If your argument is checks and balances, notice that the House and Senate were also voted Republican, making Trump’s ideas much more likely to turn into realities.

If Trump goes through with these plans, he will “benefit” the U.S. by teaching our citizens it is OK to be hateful and treat people however you want and how not to budget, spending an estimated \$12 million to deport criminal immigrants, which is closer to 168,000 than the two million Trump claims,

according to Pew.

Although Trump’s ideas will actually benefit very few people, there is nothing that can be done about it now.

Voters need to remember that although the presidential election is important, our nation needs to keep up with politics year-round and concern ourselves with our local government. Local politics affect our day-to-day lives.

Although 52 percent of Americans disagree with Trump, arguing with everyone around you will do nothing to change the fact that he won the election. As an opposer, all you can do is educate yourself about future candidates, stay involved and vote in both the presidential and local 2020 elections. And of course, cherish the next 70 days until Trump takes office.

Cultural appropriation plays too large a role in society



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In the wake of a tumultuous presidential campaign, America turns its focus away from who will be the face of our nation and back toward the problems he or she will adopt. Race and cultural relations will be at the forefront of conversation across the country.

Since the beginning of racial conflicts, appropriation of culture by groups has been a core issue. In recent years this problem has seen more and more attention. It’s an inarguable fact that races have seen cultures misused by mainstream society.

From blackface to the Savannah Savages, cultural stereotypes have been abused for sake of comedy or a clever name. However, the social media age of activism has created a new wave of shaming at the faintest hint of cultural appropriation, and this brand of Internet cultural policing will only continue to divide races.

The meaning of cultural appropriation varies for most but author of “Who Owns Culture?” Susan Scafidi, a law professor at Fordham University, provided a definition of the phenomena.

“Taking intellectual property, traditional knowledge, cultural expressions, or artifacts from someone else’s culture without permission,” Scafidi said in her book. “This can include unauthorized use of another culture’s dance, dress, music, language, folklore, cuisine, traditional medicine, religious symbols, etc. It’s most likely to be harmful when



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the source community is a minority group that has been oppressed or exploited in other ways or when the object of appropriation is particularly sensitive, e.g. sacred objects.”

While I agree with this definition, I do not entirely agree with the depth of this problem.

There are a plethora of issues minority communities have to fight in this nation and, to an extent, this problem should be on the list.

However, I believe we as a nation have gotten so used to each issue being so polarizing that we allowed this

one to spiral out of control.

Battling against the unjust use of culture to demean or steal credit from a race is one thing, but people across the world are taking it past that. It has gotten to the point that sharing culture has taken a backseat to appropriation witch hunts.

Instead of promoting integration and respectful adoption of the various cultures in our country, we have taken to labeling who is allowed to do what based on what race they happened to be born into.

While it is a common notion that

racism cannot, at this point, flow from minority populations to majority populations, condemning a white girl for dressing as pocahontas for Halloween or a white man for wearing dreads does the same damage to race relations. All this does is further show there is a difference between the two sides and drives them further apart.

I get the fact that racism and cultural appropriation has led to injustice in the world. In the 1950’s, racism in radio led to whites getting a majority of the credit for the rise of

rock music when black artists were instrumental in the genre. Or the obvious struggle in the modern era to get sports teams to change racially demeaning names.

And these are just a few of the areas where cultural appropriation is a real problem.

But, Internet shaming little girls for their halloween choices or bullying people for what they eat, wear, or listen to, is taking the problem far beyond where it should reach.

St. Francis needs to make serious improvements



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Imagine a place misdiagnosing sick patients, sending sick people home without help and not doing its job like it should. This place is SSM Health St. Francis hospital here in Maryville.

I usually do not think it is right to publically criticize places, but St. Francis leaves much to be desired. The St. Francis hospital has mixed reviews. Most of these reviews are not the best. According to the web-

site www.healthgrades.com, St. Francis scores a 68 percent. I personally have experienced less than quality care at St. Francis.

This past month, I was sick with tonsillitis. I woke up with a fever one Friday and went to the walk-in clinic at St. Francis. I did not check to see what time it opened. When I arrived around 10 a.m., the lady at the check-in desk informed me that nobody would be able to see me until 12 p.m. when the walk-in clinic opened.

On another occasion, I went to the walk-in clinic for medicine for strep throat. The doctor that saw me spent at least 30 minutes sitting in silence with me as he flipped through a little pocketbook, trying to decide what antibiotics to prescribe. The doctor ended up giving me two

different medicines. He told me the two medicines may cause some sort of allergic reaction, but he was not sure, and if they did, to come back to the clinic.

Bearcat Zac Dujakovich also experienced less than quality care from St. Francis. Dujakovich went to the walk-in clinic due to chest pains, and the doctors kept sending him home, saying he was fine.

“If someone comes in with the same problem three times in two weeks, you should probably check it out more instead of just sending him or her home,” Dujakovich said.

Dujakovich suffers from asthma. On another occasion, he went to St. Francis because he was having troubles breathing and lung pain.

“They gave me a bunch of albuterol, which made my heart rate go

way up,” Dujakovich said.

Dujakovich then went home and fell asleep, but not as peacefully as he thought. According to his fiancée, Dujakovich suffered from tremors and fits. According to the website www.drugs.com, shakiness, tremors, nightmares and a fast, irregular heartbeat are side effects from the medicine albuterol. Some of the side effects such as nightmares are less common, but still listed.

The next day, Dujakovich called St. Francis to tell the doctor what happened. The nurse that answered the phone told him none of the medicine should have given him a reaction like the one he had experienced. Dujakovich has not gone back to St. Francis since.

Bearcat Morgan Lewis also received poor care from St. Fran-

cis. Lewis went to the hospital because she continuously passed out. The doctors at the hospital ran blood tests on her and released her.

When Lewis went to her hometown emergency room, the doctors found an infection in her blood that St. Francis missed. Lewis also suffered from severe dehydration and low sodium levels in her blood.

“I would only suggest going to St. Francis if you are having an immediate medical emergency,” Lewis said. “If you can wait and make it to a hospital or clinic in St. Joseph or another nearby area, I would highly recommend that.”

It is clear the employees of SSM Health St. Francis hospital need to improve at their jobs. As for any sick Bearcats who go to St. Francis, be wary of less than quality care.

New tool benefits student success

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A new tool promoting student success went live starting this semester, allowing students to engage in a network purposed for academia. Northwest Success 360 is a student retention tool that allows for early alerts, appointment scheduling and progress surveys, and it quickly identifies a student’s success net-

work. According to the University website, the online tool supports student success and engagement to help students connect with their instructors, advisors and staff to enhance and streamline communication across the campus community. In the past, advisors used early alerts for students they had concerns about. Northwest Success 360 uses a system of flag raising to specifical-

ly address a variety of concerns. In addition, a kudos system offers written acknowledgement to students for outstanding effort. Academic Student Success Coordinator Leslie Chandler hopes to see this tool continuously updated and improved upon.

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Blotters for the week of Nov. 10

Maryville Department of Public Safety

Oct. 20

There is an ongoing investigation for property damage at the 200 block of South Main.

Oct. 21

A summons was issued to **Eric J. Schreiber**, 43, St. Joseph, for city code violation at the 400 block of North Buchanan.

Oct. 26

A summons was issued to **Alex M. Vanhove**, 20, St. Joseph, for minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market.

Oct. 27

A summons was issued to **Caleb M. Gregson**, 20, St. Joseph, for minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market.

There is an ongoing investigation for larceny at the 300 block of North Market.

Oct. 28

There is an ongoing investigation for domestic assault at the 100 block of North Charles.

A summons was issued to **Brandon S. Mahon**, 24, Mission City, Kansas, for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest at the 400 block of North Buchanan.

A summons was issued to **Gaige I. Blake**, 20, Eagleville, for minor in possession and possession of a fake I.D. at the 300 block of North Market.

There is an ongoing for larceny at the 1200 block of South Main.

A summons was issued to **Amber E. Hoyt**, 20, Oakland, Iowa, for minor in possession and possession of a fake I.D. in the 1100 block of North Walnut. Within the same incident, a summons was issued to **Christian K.N. Danker**, 19, for minor in possession and operating with an open container of alcohol.

Oct. 29

There is an ongoing investigation for domestic assault at the 300 block of East 7th Street.

A summons was issued to **Gage R.L. Hass**, 18, Kansas City, Missouri, for minor in possession and indecent exposure at the

600 block of South Buchanan.

There is an ongoing investigation for domestic assault at the 900 block of South Avenue.

A summons was issued to **Lindsey E. Zoz**, 18, for minor in possession and littering at the 800 block of North Walnut.

A summons was issued to **Paul J. Ziegler**, 19, for minor in possession and improper display of license plates at the 1100 block of North Mulberry.

A summons was issued to **Timothy C. Wilmes**, 24, Kansas City, Missouri, for driving while intoxicated and improper left turn at the 100 block of East Fourth Street.

A summons was issued to **Trevor B. Baker**, 20, Bethany, for minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market.

Oct. 30

A summons was issued to **Michael G. Hansen**, 22, St. Joseph, for disorderly conduct at the 400 block of North Buchanan.

Two summonses were issued to **Robert M. Parsons**, 17, and **Baylee N. Bercegay**, 17, for minor in possession at the 500 block of West Second Street. Within the same incident, **Clayton F. Farrell**, 18, for possession of marijuana and minor in possession.

A summons was issued to **Seth J. Dewald**, 20, for minor in possession, disorderly conduct and possession of a fake I.D. at the 200 block of West Seventh Street.

A baseball cap was recovered at the 200 block of West Seventh Street.

A summons was issued to **Stephanie McBride**, 20, Essex, Iowa for minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market.

A summons was issued to **Victor E. Perez Soto**, 20, for minor in possession at the 100 block of East Fourth Street.

There is an ongoing investigation for stealing at the 500 block of East Third Street.

Oct. 31

There is an ongoing investigation for stealing at the 1800 block of North Alco.

A driver’s license was recovered at the 200 block of West Fourth Street.

There is an ongoing investigation for forgery at the 1600 block of South Main.

A summons was issued to **Hannah R. Delgado**, 19, for minor in possession at the 400 block of West Second Street.

Nov. 1

A summons was issued to **Allyson P. Liday**, 17, Gower, for driving while intoxicated, minor in possession, failure to maintain right half of roadway and possession of drug paraphernalia at the 100 block of West Lieber.

There is an ongoing investigation for forgery at the 300 block of North Market.

Nov. 2

There is an ongoing investigation for an animal complaint at the 200 block of East Third Street.

Nov. 3

A summons was issued to **Tattonna T. Johnson**, 25, for driving while revoked and speeding at the 900 block of North Country Club.

There is an ongoing investigation for fraud at the 200 block of East Third Street.

Nov. 4

There is an ongoing investigation for stealing at the 200 block of South Main.

Nov. 5

A summons was issued to **Tanner O. Crawford**, 20, Riverside, for minor in possession at the 1400 block of North Main.

A summons was issued to **Michelle L. Potts**, 29, on a warrant for failure to appear at the 400 block of North Market.

Nov. 6

A football jersey was recovered at the 200 block of North Market.

Nov. 7

A summons was issued to **Tierra N. Kerr**, 18, for possession of marijuana at the 1000 block of North Country Club.



DARCIE BRADFORD | NW MISSOURIAN
Residents were forced to evacuate their homes on West Third after a wall buckled.

Repairs in progress for unsafe building

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Residents were evacuated from their homes last week after city officials deemed their apartment building too dangerous to enter.

The building located at the corner of West Third Street and Buchanan neighbors The Rose Theater. It is home to Miss Whitney’s Elite School of Dance on the ground floor, and three apartments on the second floor, all owned by Maryville resident Michael Smith.

Municipal Code Enforcement Officer Jim Wiederholt said after they received a call from a concerned citizen, an inspection of the building revealed it was dangerous to occupy.

“Maryville doesn’t have any mandatory inspections, how we became aware of this was that a concerned citizen let us know that there was a problem with the wall. We went out and inspected it and the (outside) wall showed signs of instability so we evacuated the residents,” Wiederholt said.

According to Smith, he realized there was an issue with the outside wall several weeks ago and contacted a contractor to assess the wall. The contractor came to the conclusion that there was no structural damage, however the building was still evacuated by city officials a few weeks later.

Wiederholt said he believes the building’s age and the way it was

constructed caused the outside wall to begin to dangerously bow.

“We believe the building was built in the late 1880s, early 1890s and was built using unreinforced masonry construction,” Wiederholt said. “It’s missing steel rebar that supports the building. So basically it’s just brick and mortar on top of each other... But maintenance plays a role too.”

Smith said he is repairing the building, but is unsure of how long the repairs could take.

“We’re working as hard as we can to get the building and street back open,” Smith said.

Smith also said he is paying for the residents of his apartments to stay in hotels until the building is safe enough for them to enter.

Wiederholt said while most of the buildings in downtown Maryville were all built around the same time and the city of Maryville does not mandate regular inspections, he has no concerns for any of the other buildings.

“Of course, most of the buildings in the downtown area are unreinforced masonry buildings, all the same type of construction and the same age,” Wiederholt said. “But we haven’t seen any problems with any other buildings, not like this.”

According to the Public Works office, while the building is no longer labeled condemned and is being repaired, no one is allowed to enter the building at this time.

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Nov. 2
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Nov. 3
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Everyone’s heard the saying two heads are better than one, but is that really always true? Scientists found a two-headed shark. It didn’t stop there, though. There’s been an increasing number of two-headed sharks appearing in the oceans. Scientists don’t really have a reason for it, either. Theories include metabolic disorders, viral infections and even fishing as a cause.



SOURCE: NATIONALGEOGRAPHIC.COM

At this point in the election, you’ve probably heard a little too much about politics. If you’re like most people, you’re getting really tired of it. On the day of the elections at 1 p.m., San Francisco Zoo did a live streaming of its three red pandas in the outdoor treehouse. The three pandas, Tenzing, Hillary and Hunter, played around to entertain their live Facebook viewers for an hour. They had viewers all over the nation. If you want to see the video, simply go to their page Firefox. (Yes, the page icon looks like the internet symbol).

If you’ve ever gotten a candy bar stolen from your car, I bet you didn’t handle it as well as this guy did. Kansas State University student Hunter Jobbins went viral on the internet for having a KitKat stolen out of his car. When Jobbins came out to his car Thursday, he found it filled with approximately 6,500 bars of the crunchy chocolate snack.



SOURCE: YAHOO.COM

People have been known to charge ridiculous prices for things since the beginning of time. One man though, may have taken the cake...er, Cheeto. An eBay seller posted a Flaming hot Cheeto shaped kind of like a bald eagle on a perch for \$5,000. The man promises that it wasn’t altered in any way and he kept it in a bag, so it’s perfectly fair. He commented in the description that he was using the money to fund his honeymoon.

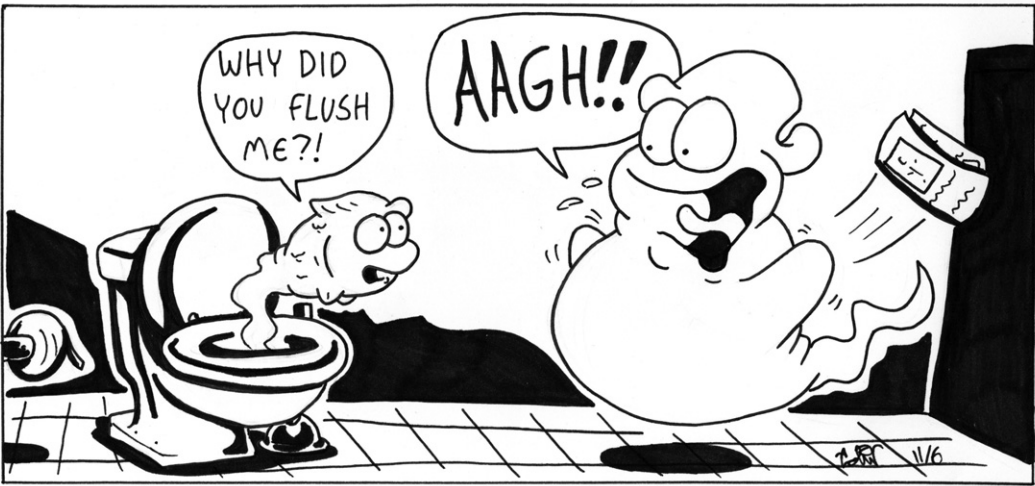
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CROSSWORD

By Peter A Collins

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

Clues Across

- 1. State confidently
- 7. Replaced
- 13. Day of remembrance
- 14. Molecular process
- 16. Indicates position
- 17. Paper-and-pencil game
- 19. Military policeman
- 20. Nests of pheasants
- 22. Corpuscle count (abbr.)
- 23. Seat
- 25. Functions
- 26. Sheets of glass
- 28. Minute arachnid
- 29. Separately managed account
- 30. A bachelor’s place
- 31. Dodge truck
- 33. __ Farrow, actress
- 34. Discussion
- 36. Delayed
- 38. Liaison
- 40. Sediment deposit
- 41. Leased
- 43. Without
- 44. Woman (French)
- 45. Folk-pop artist Williams
- 47. Congressman (abbr.)
- 48. Resembles a pouch
- 51. Superior
- 53. Stalin’s police chief
- 55. Razorbill is of this genus
- 56. Criminal act of setting fire
- 58. Department of Labor
- 59. William Jennings __, The Great Commoner
- 60. Nickel
- 61. Ordered by canon law
- 64. Where Denver is (abbr.)
- 65. Has 10 straight sides and angles
- 67. Small group with shared interests
- 69. A famous street for kids
- 70. Underlying intentions

Clues Down

- 1. Mental condition
- 2. Senate Bill
- 3. Where constructions take place

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- 8. American time
- 9. Big man on campus
- 10. Syndrome of the eye
- 11. Spanish be
- 12. Cotton cloths
- 13. Roman guardian of gates
- 15. Displays of food
- 18. Anti-Bolshevik Bloc of Nations
- 21. Female deacon
- 24. Adrift
- 26. Hit lightly
- 27. Test for high schoolers
- 30. Whittled
- 32. River in western India
- 35. Small crude dwelling
- 37. One-time AC/DC singer Scott
- 38. Holds up a shirtsleeve
- 39. Mental faculties
- 42. Blot
- 43. A very large body of water
- 46. Redecorated
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- 49. Tree that bears spikes
- 50. Type of boat
- 52. Calypso music
- 54. Director Howard
- 55. Longtime U.S. Senator Specter
- 57. Buddhist serpent deities
- 59. Attempt to fly in falconry
- 62. __ de plume
- 63. Wheel
- 66. Cerium
- 68. Rural delivery

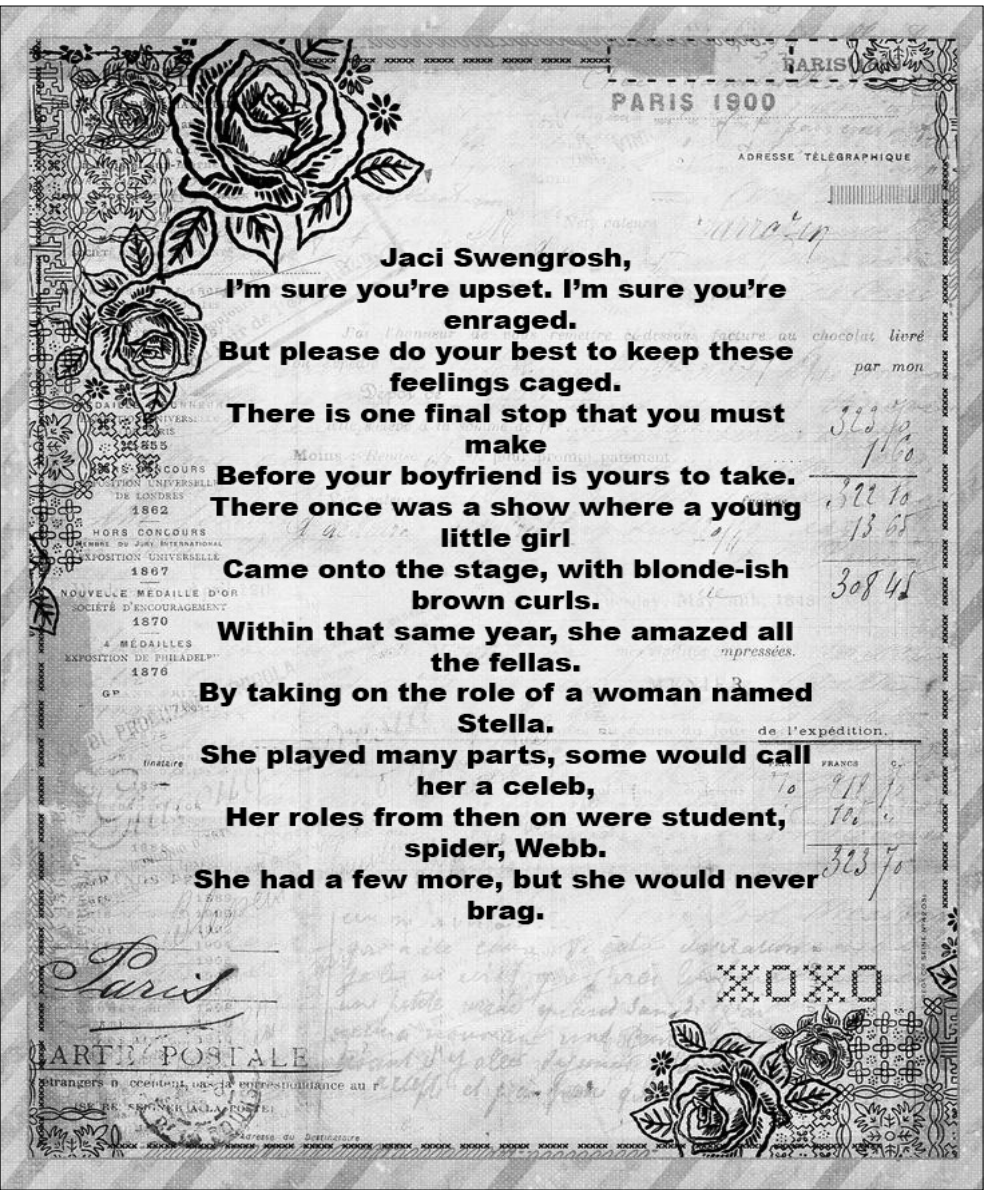
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Junior Hunter Davis (left), Michael Hansen (Middle) and Max Hill (Right) developed their friendship through faith. Davis is now involved in the Navigators as well as becoming an RA in Dietrich Hall.



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Hunter Davis

Transfer student finds love, faith, friends and major as a Bearcat

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Becoming an adult is a stressful experience, and trying to figure out what career to pursue for the rest of your life is terrifying. For junior recreational therapy major Hunter Davis, putting his trust in God’s plan has been a freeing experience. His time in college has been a testament to this.

Davis was originally enrolled for college at Missouri S&T in Rolla. However, because of a relationship, he decided to attend Northwest and participate in the pre-engineering program.

“Within the first week and a half of being here, I changed my major,” Davis said. “The change made it impossible for me to return to Rolla.”

Davis did not want to return to Rolla. He loves his college experience and Northwest.

After the first change, Davis proceeded to make three other major changes.

“The first change was the most drastic, from mechanical engineering to elementary education with special education,” Davis said.

Davis quickly realized while he wanted to work with children, the classroom was not his setting. He decided to pursue occupational therapy to help special needs children become independent and live the best life they can, despite their disabilities.

Davis switched to a biology/psychology major, but changed it again to recreational therapy. The more hands-on recreational therapy major will ultimately get him to where he wants to be.

Davis finds comfort in the Bible verse Jeremiah 29:11 which says: “‘For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the Lord. ‘Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you hope and a future.’”

Changing his major four times was a frustrating and difficult process for Davis.

“I would get so upset or mad when I would realize after going through a whole semester of classes, it was not what I wanted to do with my life. But I didn’t really know what I wanted to do with my life,” Davis said. “Being able to really put my trust in Christ and do more than say it, but feel it, is a really freeing experience.”

Davis knows God is present and working in his life, even

when he cannot see it.

“His plans are higher and His thoughts are higher than anything we could ever imagine,” Davis said.

Davis is an RA in Dietrich and has been since his sophomore year.

“My freshman year I had an RA that was not involved on my floor. I barely knew him,” Davis said. “My commute from home is six and a half hours and I realized how tough the transition was, especially if you didn’t come here with a lot of friends or anyone at all.”

A new RA was placed in Davis’s hall in the middle of the year.

“My new RA was a lot better. I interacted with him a lot and we had movie nights in his room,” Davis said. “I really appreciated that interaction and I saw the impact an RA could have.”

Being an RA also gave Davis the opportunity to share the love of Christ.

Davis is actively involved in the campus ministry, The Navigators. Through this organization, he went through a program called Joshua Team or JTeam.

“No matter how many classes I take or experiences I have, JTeam is where I have learned and grown the most,” Davis said. “I have grown a strong faith and relationship with God and I know what that relationship should look like and how to share that with others. JTeam has been one of the highlights of my life.”

This strong faith is something Davis’s family has instilled in him from a young age.

“My parents worked very hard to not only make sure me and my brother were raised in a Christ-loving home, but that we had a strong fellowship of Christians surrounding us as well,” Davis said.

Davis’s father taught him to put others before himself.

“As far back as I can remember, my dad has always made time for members of the church, coworkers or anyone at all that asked him to help them,” Davis said. “Whether it was putting in a toilet, cleaning out an attic, or completely remodeling a house, my dad has always been willing to help and serve others.”

Davis frequently worked with his father on these projects.

“I don’t know if this was intentionally to teach me the value of serving, or if he just needed some help, but either way, it

played a huge part in establishing my values in life,” Davis said.

Davis is also following in his mother’s footsteps for his careers.

“She works very closely with children with all types of abilities and has always made sure we understood that different does not mean less,” Davis said. “We are all children of God and we all deserve the same respect and love as anyone else.”

His mother leads a ministry called Wonderfully Made that provides specialized care to children. Davis was able to see her love for everyone and tries to show those traits in his own life.

Davis is also about to grow his own family as he just proposed to his fiancé, Jaci Swengrosh. The two have been together for over five years.

“I chose to do a scavenger hunt around the town. I worked with her best friend really closely and the other girls I knew would be her bridesmaids,” Davis said.

The girls were placed in significant places with poems Davis wrote telling Swengrosh where to go next.

“The last place was our high school theater, which was where we became close,” Davis said. “She walked down the hallway which was decorated with pictures of our relationship.”

Senior Saundra Weigel-Blount was able to be a part of the proposal.

“Being part of his proposal was one of the coolest things,” Weigel-Blount said. “I was one of the first ones told when he had actually decided he was going to do it, so I got to witness all of the planning and fun things.”

Luckily for Davis, Swengrosh told Weigel-Blount she pictured Davis proposing on stage, but Weigel-Blount did not let Davis in on the secret.

“He was explaining to me what he was wanting to do for the proposal and he had so many great ideas, but ended up going with the one that ended on the stage of the theater at their high school,” Weigel-Blount said. “When he told me that, I almost started crying because it was so evident that they are meant for one another.”

Davis hopes to break familial distance, which is a pattern with his extended family now.

“I am really close with my immediate family, but I do not have good relationships with my extended family. Everyone has

their own issues,” Davis said.

Just last year, Davis’s grandmother passed away, and he was surprised to see he did not have a strong emotional reaction to her passing.

“I realized how distant I was from my family and it is something I don’t want to continue,” Davis said. “I don’t want my kids to look at my parents that way. I want to be the change in my family.”

During his time at Northwest, Davis has become close with sophomore Max Hill.

“Hunter has impacted my life in so many ways it’s crazy,” Hill said. “We hung out almost every single night last year, went to Nav night together, and eventually he began to disciple me.”

Discipleship is something the Navigators believe very strongly in. Older members meet with younger members and build relationships and learn to walk with Christ together.

“He began to speak life and truth in me fueled by the gospel, and his encouragement and leadership helped shape the path I took freshman year to know God more,” Hill said.

Davis helped Hill obtain a job as a student ambassador.

“One of my favorite memories of Hunter and myself has to be last spring when we gave a tour together to a bunch of middle schoolers,” Hill said. “He had bet me that I wouldn’t go dunk on the small basketball goal out behind Horace Mann by the football field, and of course I had to go to it.”

Unfortunately for Hill, it did not go quite as he planned.

“So I ran, successfully dunked, held rim, and it snapped back on me unexpectedly so I fell into this huge puddle underneath the goal and soaked my jeans,” Hill said.

Weigel-Blount also has very good memories with Davis.

“Hunter is such a genuine and caring person. His positivity and love of Christ are infectious,” Weigel-Blount said. “If I ever needed anything, I know he’d be there for me.”

Davis has let God lead his life, and through this he was able to have clear impact on the lives of those surrounding him. He will continue to impact lives with his faith and his career and The Missourian wishes him all the best in life.

THE STROLLER:

Your Bearcat needs a break from fixing problems

If I could go one whole day without hearing my name or someone needing something from me, I think it might be the greatest day in my life.

Look, I know I set the precedent that I am a super helpful person and I do really want to be present and there for anyone going through something, but I am about to lose my mind.

I cannot always be fixing other people and not have time for myself.

However, I cannot say those things without seeming selfish or conceited. I cannot take a mental health day, or say I will not listen to your problems because I have too many of my own, without being a bad person.

But I also cannot run on empty all the time.

Ultimately, where this leaves me is performing at half capacity. I am not giving anything my all, I am not retaining any new information and I am not fully empathetic. I am not as much of a help to others or myself when I do this. It is not healthy.

So, do not judge me when I do not prolong a discussion about your problems. Do not make fun of me for playing mindless games on my

phone, because the reason is so I do not have to think about anything for 10 minutes.

If I seem snappy for a day, do not take it personally. I, along with everyone else, desperately need a break from school, friends, homework, family and life in general.

Let us all try to be a little more understanding, Bearcats. Despite daylight savings, we could all use a

little more sleep and a little less expectations.

Take a deep breath. One week until Thanksgiving break, then three weeks left of the semester.

We. Can. Do. This.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

International students travel abroad for holiday

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With winter holidays approaching fast, it is important to take the time to cherish loved ones, because for some, loved ones are on the other side of the globe.

Northwest boasts an impressive number of students who have come from all over the globe in order to ob-

tain a worthwhile education. Therefore, holidays like Christmas and Thanksgiving have a lot of Bearcats going through a culture shock.

For many of us, Christmas is an annual tradition: presents around the tree, Christmas dinner, maybe a family trip. Students from completely different cultures may think these traditions are strange or abnormal.

Junior Margaux Jacquet is one student more familiar with this lifestyle, as she has been a student at Northwest for three years now.

Jacquet is originally from Annecy, France. She traveled across the world to attend Northwest to play tennis. France celebrates many of the same traditions Jacquet has seen in America.

"I go home every summer and for Christmas as well. We ski, enjoy time with family and friends, and eat good French food. Because my parents are divorced, I will spend one night with my dad and we'll have a big dinner and open gifts," Jacquet said. "The next morning, we eat lunch and open gifts with my mom's family from around 11 a.m. to 6 p.m."

Though there are more similarities than one would initially think, Jacquet feels the cultures sometimes

seem like completely different worlds.

"Oh, everything's different. Food in America is so big and expensive. Like, have you seen your guys' milk? It's huge," Jacquet said. "The people are so different too; everyone is so nice and open here."


Marie Berghaus is a freshman at Northwest and is from Cologne, Germany. Cologne is a very large city with a population of 1 million. Similar to Jacquet, culture around the holidays is similar, but Berghaus will not be able to see her family this coming winter.

"For us, the 24th of December we open presents and have a big dinner, and then the morning of the 25th we go to church. I usually go with my family to ski in south Germany," Bergahus said. "This summer, though, I won't be going back home, so I am going to California for a week."

Even with the similarities, Jacquet and Berghaus managed to find a tradition that they both had in common that was not a regular occurrence for culture in America. Small markets commonly pop up around towns, accompanied by lights and music as part of preparation for the holidays. Berghaus had previously thought these customs to be exclusive to Germany.

"They build cute little houses in the streets for around three weeks and they sell things just to get ready for the holidays. People own them and build them all by themselves," Berghaus said. "There is music and lights everywhere and activities for the children. It's really cool."

There will always be differences between cultures, but even for the most different locations, there are undoubtedly similarities that help everyone feel at home for the holidays.



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Bearcat student Tyler Kirkegaard back flipped into Colden Pond to help raise funds for St. Jude.

Students raise funds with plunge

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Wacky outfits, flips and dives led to raising \$133.85 for the children of St. Jude Children's Research hospital this past week.

Seven students spent the last two weeks competing in penny wars and fundraising for the kids and the chance to jump into Colden Pond. Only the top five earners get to make the plunge.

Elizabeth Geier was the organizer of this event and leads several other side events for St. Jude Up 'til Dawn. She thought the event was very successful and had a positive vibe.

"This year, the beautiful weather made it a positive environment. The participants were really excited to jump and happy it wasn't freezing. Our team wasn't sure how the weather would be in November, but we were pleasantly surprised by the sunshine," Geier said.

Normally, the plunge is in the second half of the school year when the lake is frozen. Geier decided to move it to the fall semester.

"I think that students like the Plunge no matter when it happens. Since the big event is happening second semester in January, we wanted another big event like the plunge to happen before to balance it out," Geier said.

The plunge is serving as a kickoff this year, rather than a culmination, she said.

"I think when the main event is in first semester, the plunge is perfect for second semester," Geier said. "That way the plunge is used as a reflection of all the fundraising from UTD. This year, the plunge was a kick start to the main fundraising for Up 'til Dawn because the events were flip flopped."

Jumpers Hannah Woodson and Kristy Briggs both took pleasure in this event and both liked it being first semester.

Woodson is a senior who has been heavily involved with St. Jude. She has devoted herself to raising money for St. Jude.

"I decided to jump because I love raising money for St. Jude, it has been something I have really dedicated myself to and I think

penny wars is a great way to do so with a little bit of competition. Who doesn't love competition," Woodson said.

Briggs is very passionate when it comes to helping others, especially St. Jude. She also saw it as something that would feed into her adrenaline junkie side.

"I had a lot of fun. My favorite part was doing a backflip into the pond. I used to be a competitive cheerleading for nine years and I was also involved with diving, so I love doing flips whenever I get the chance," Briggs said.

Both jumpers said there was a lot of great support from friends and the St. Jude executive board. Students jumped at 1 p.m., a popular class time, so not many were able to attend.

If you would like to find our more or register for Northwest's Up Til Dawn Big Event Jan. 27, please contact Kris Hudson or Hannah Woodson. The big event is a night of staying up to honor the patients and families that spend many late nights in the St. Jude hospital.

The freshman finished 128th out of 169 with a time of 22:23.55 at the Class 3 State Championship.

Younger Bearcats to assume larger roles

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Now that coach Buck Scheel has his first full offseason under his belt, Northwest is ready to take the MIAA by storm.



Minus two former starters, Northwest enters the season fixated on improvement following a less than ideal 5-23 record. To improve on last season's record means replacing two key pieces in Tember Schechinger and Taylor Shull who left the team via graduation.

"We have 10 returners and one new edition this year," senior Jasmin Howe said. "We gelled at the end of last season and we are hungry to be better."

Not only must Northwest replace two vital pieces, it must also try to navigate the season without any sort of youth movement on the horizon.

Due to coach Scheel being named the head coach around the halfway point of the season, the coaching staff did not have the luxury of a full recruiting phase. That means no freshmen are on this year's roster.

However, Northwest does return 10 players, and while experience is aplenty, the roster features only two seniors in Howe and forward Carlie Wilhelm.

Scheel can rest easy knowing that Howe will not be the most experienced player on the floor. That honor belongs to junior forward Tanya Meyer who is the team's highest returning scorer

(10.8) and rebounder (4.7).

Alongside returning starters Howe and Meyer, Northwest also returns sophomore Macy Williams who was second on the team in assists per game with 2.7.

A large part of how successful Northwest will be this season falls on Williams who will be tasked with the role of primary ball handler for a team that finished last in the conference in turnover margin (-5.21) and second to last in assist to turnover ratio (.65).

Other than the three returning players, who fills out the two remaining starting spots is a mystery. Scheel has faith that the answer already lies on roster.

"It's an opportunity for some of the younger kids that played limited minutes to step up and be regular players this year," Scheel said.

Some of the younger players that will be asked to step up include sophomores Arbrie Benson, Maria Dentlinger and junior Bailey Smith.

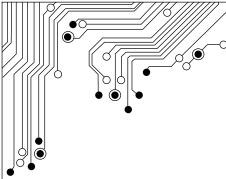
Last year's unsuccessful season coupled with the lack of experience this year has caused Northwest to return to the basics.

Instead of lofty goals that only encapsulate long-term objectives, players and coaches will spend the majority of the season focusing on more pertinent goals.

"We have to hold ourselves accountable and get better every day," Howe said. "Those small things will make a big difference and those are





Members of the women's basketball team participate in the dance off against the men's team Nov. 3 at the basketball bash. **BRIA CREEDEN | NW MISSOURIAN**



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the things we have to work hard at."

So far, this year's campaign is off to a promising start. A 92-45 victory over Graceland University Nov. 2 in an exhibition game eclipsed the team's highest total in points from last year by 14.

"We had a good showing," Scheel said. "We played really well and shot the ball well. Hopefully that continues."

Northwest kicks off regular season play with two consecutive road game before returning to Maryville for its home-opener against Bellevue University.

Considering Northwest's 0-9 road record last year, two wins away from home would serve as huge momentum builders for a team still trying to make pieces fit.

NEXT GAME
Northwest vs. Ouachita Baptist @ Southwest Baptist Nov. 11 @ 8:15 p.m.
Northwest vs. Henderson St. @ Southwest Baptist Nov. 12 @ 8:15 p.m.

Road to redemption begins

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The stage is set as the No. 6 ranked Northwest Missouri basketball team begins a journey of unfinished business.

The Bearcat's open up the season at 3 p.m. Nov. 11 against Upper Iowa in St. Joseph.

Thus far, the team has been preparing in the practice gym since Oct. 16 and is now locked and loaded to begin the regular season.

"We've got a team that gives a lot of effort," coach Ben McCollum said. "They don't have bad days and they are always ready to go."

The Bearcats return with a lot of the firepower from last year's sweet 16 run. Starters from the 2015-2016 roster include junior point guard Justin Pitts, senior forward Zach Schneider as well as junior forwards Chris-Ebou Ndow and Brett Dougherty.

The one question mark moving forward into this season will be the No. 2 role. Last season, that slot was occupied by guard Connor Crooker. Last season, Crooker played a critical role in the Bearcats postseason success, averaging 12.3 points per game throughout the year.

This time around, McCollum has a few options as to what he can throw at his opponents on the court.

"Anthony Woods has been play-



ing really well," McCollum said. "Ryan Welty, a 6', 7" freshman kid has been playing well in the guard spot. Xavier Kurth has had a good preseason. One of those three will probably play a lot of guard."

This time around, McCollum thinks to have even more weapons than the year before.

"I think we've got more depth than we've had in the past," McCollum said. "I think we can play nine or 10 deep and feel comfortable with those guys on the floor."

Another key returner for the team will be forward D'Vante Mosby. The 6', 5" senior came off the bench and supplied a much needed boost multiple times. With so many Bearcats locked in since the beginning, the team looks to have an even better year than last season.

"The chemistry on this team is great," Schneider said. "We all love each other on and off the court. I think the biggest spot you will see our chemistry in is on offense."

In Northwest Missouri's first 10 games of the previous season, the team went a combined 6-4 and had no real identity as to who could score.

The rest of the year, McCollum and his team finished on an offensive tear, accumulating a 21-2 record as well as the best scoring margin in the MIAA(+9).

"This year everyone knows the roles and knows how to make each

other better," Schneider said. "Our offense is a ton better at this point than it was last year."

After finishing 16-17 the year before, the Peacocks bring back seven seniors, adding even more depth and experience to their arsenal as well.

Last time these two teams met was Nov. 13 of last season as the Peacocks got the upper hand in a 76-72 win. Upper Iowa had already played three games prior to the Bearcats meeting.

"That helps a lot," McCollum said. "Now they don't have those live game situations so it will be their first test."

Neither team will have an advantage this time around as this all be the first game for both teams.

"I can't wait for Friday and I think I speak for everyone when I say that," Schneider said. "We've had a couple scrimmages against other schools but there's nothing like putting on the Northwest jersey and playing in front of a crowd. It's what you work and practice for all year round."

NEXT GAME
Northwest vs. Upper Iowa @ Missouri Western Nov. 11 @ 3 p.m.
Northwest vs. Wayne St. @ Missouri Western Nov. 13 @ 1 p.m.

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NW FOOTBALL

MIAA Standings

	Overall
NORTHWEST.....	10-0
Emporia St.....	9-1
Central Missouri.....	8-2
Washburn.....	7-3
Fort Hays St.....	6-4
Pittsburg St.....	6-4
Missouri Western.....	4-6
Lindenwood.....	3-7
Central Oklahoma.....	2-8
Missouri Southern.....	2-8
Northeastern St.....	2-8
Nebraska Kearney.....	1-9

Nov. 12
Missouri Western at NORTHWEST
Lindenwood at Central Missouri
Emporia St. at Washburn
Fort Hays St. at Nebraska Kearney
Northeastern St. at Central Oklahoma
Pittsburg St. at Missouri Southern

NW VOLLEYBALL

MIAA Standings

	Overall	MIAA
X-Nebraska Kearney.....	30-1	15-1
X-Central Oklahoma.....	28-2	14-2
X-Washburn.....	24-5	14-2
X-NORTHWEST.....	21-7	9-7
X-Fort Hays St.....	23-8	9-7
X- Central Missouri.....	20-9	9-7
X-Missouri Western.....	16-13	8-8
Emporia St.....	14-16	6-10
Lindenwood.....	11-17	5-11
Pittsburg St.....	6-22	4-12
Missouri Southern.....	6-23	3-13
Southwest Baptist.....	3-27	0-16

Nov. 11
Lindenwood at NORTHWEST

Nov. 12
Central Missouri at NORTHWEST

X-Clinched spot in MIAA Tournament

MHS FOOTBALL

MSHSAA Class 3 State Tournament

Central (Park Hills)

Nov. 12 1 p.m.

Miller Career Academy

Center

Nov. 12 1 p.m.

Maryville

Owensville

Nov. 12 1 p.m.

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Nov. 19

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Nov. 11 7 p.m.

Blair Oaks

Quarterfinals highlighted by undefeated foes

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Spoofhound football has yet another opportunity to play in front of the Hound Pound as part of the Class 3 quarterfinals.

Maryville (12-0) hosts Kansas City's Center High School (12-0). It is the first time the Spoofhounds have had home field advantage in the quarterfinals under coach Matt Webb.

"You play these games wherever they are at," Webb said. "I think it is a fair amount to realize how good it was to beat a good Richmond team and have them (Center) at home."

The two teams have not met since Nov. 10, 2012. The Yellowjackets have emerged as a powerful threat this season. The Spoofhounds will have to find a way to slow down the dominance Center has put up all year long.

"They have played some very good football teams," Webb said. "They are very athletic and very well coached. Bryan DeLong does an excellent job coaching. They are a very talented football team."

The Yellowjackets are coming off a 63-27 victory over Clinton (9-3). Center was dominant in the matchup, putting up over 500 yards in the first half. The majority of the yardage came from junior quarterback Amaun Ryan,



who put up 341 yards and five touchdowns in the first half.

"They are explosive," Webb said. "There are many plays, when you watch them on offense, that they get in the open field and you can't touch them. When you watch their offense, their skill positions are really what jumps out at you from a playmaking standpoint."

Senior running back Norvell Trent has also been a key part of the Yellowjacket offense all season long. He put up 98 yards against the Cardinals in the first half.

"Their running game is similar to their pass game," Webb said. "Their tailback is an excellent football player. He gets the ball in the space and he'll turn out a 60 or 70 yard football team."

The Cardinals have been known to force turnovers from their opponents, while the Spoofhounds have only turned the ball over eight times. Webb recognizes the need to take extra precaution to protect the ball.

"We're going to have to win the process," Webb said. "That means ball scarcity, covering it up and taking care of it when we throw it. There is a thing that makes them to defend on to attack. Their defense is very physical. That is how they get a lot of takeaways."

The Spoofhounds have struggled

in the quarterfinals over the past two seasons. Senior running back Elijah Green sees a difference in the team this year that can become an advantage.

"Our team chemistry is a heck of a lot different," Green said. "Everybody on this team is pretty much like brothers. We all love each other to death. We do anything on this field to win the game for each other."

Injuries have been an issue for the Spoofhounds at this point in the past. Nobody stepped up to fill the role of the injured, giving Maryville a shorthold. This year is a different situation for the Spoofhounds.

"We have depth," Green said. "If one or two players go down, we have three or four that can step up to the same level as all the other starters."

Maryville must look away from the past in order to get the outcome expected at this point in the season. It is no longer about standout performance from one athlete; it is about the performance of the team.

"Saturday is really about the play-off attitude and the atmosphere of a heart of a champion," Webb said. "We are in it to advance and hopefully move on to the semifinals."

NEXT GAME
Center @ Maryville
Nov. 12 @ 1 p.m.



SHAWNA KINGSTON | NW MISSOURIAN

Senior Elijah Green escapes the Richmond pack Nov. 4 for a 35-23 victory. The Spoofhounds prepare for the quarterfinals against Center Nov. 12.

Volleyball losing grip ahead of conference tournament

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Considering Northwest has dropped its last five outings, hitting the panic button appears to be the next logical choice.



Look even deeper, and you will find that the team is not as concerned as expected. Although Northwest took a tough loss at the hands of the third ranked Nebraska-Kearney Lopers, the team showed flashes of greatness.

"In a way, that loss was easier to swallow," senior Miranda Foster said. "We played our butts off against them and it was just a really good matchup."

The loss may not have stung as much if it were not followed by a 1-3 loss to Fort Hayes State that Northwest was favored to win. Now Northwest enters its final weekend of the regular season desperate for a cure to what has been ailing it for the past two weeks.

"That is not who we are," coach Amy Woerth said. "There has been some bright spots in those two weeks but we are determined to not let that define our entire season."

Before its five-game skid, Northwest had a record of 22-2. Now it sits at 22-7 and instead of overemphasizing the bad, players and coach both agree to take the losses as a learning experience.

"It is hard to pinpoint one specific

reason for our losses," senior Jackie Becker said. "We have had a historical season so far and we have so much more to go, so we cannot dwell on those losses."

On the bright side, Northwest's two remaining matches come against a Lindenwood team that it beat in five sets earlier in the season and No. 16 Central Missouri that it beat 3-0 earlier in the season as well.

"We really do control our own destiny," Woerth said. "We still have to reach our goals and that we want to finish in the top-four in the conference."

A win against Central Missouri would not only give Northwest momentum heading into the MIAA tournament, it would also right some

of the wrongs committed by Northwest against top-25 teams this year. In such games, Northwest has a record of 2-4.

Northwest's success during the postseason hinges on its ability to beat top-tier teams. It has shown all season that the talent is there, but multiple slow starts and lapses in attention as proved to be a bane to Northwest's success.

"The important thing we are stressing this week is going hard," Foster said. "We have already clinched our spot in the tournament, now it's just how we go into each game with the mindset of doing what we practice."

Even if Northwest drops its final two contests, the two remain-

ing matches serve as excellent warm ups for a conference tournament that features four other top-25 teams.

"We are playing three very good teams to close the season," Becker said. "That is just going to improve our level of play going into the conference tournament."

Players may feel confident in the team's ability to end its dry spell, but with top-tier conference foes looming, Northwest needs to fix things, and fast.

NEXT GAME
Lindenwood @ Northwest
Nov. 11 @ 7 p.m.
Central Missouri @ Northwest
Nov. 12 @ 6 p.m.



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Senior safety Kevin Berg scores the Bearcats first points of the game off a 21-yard interception return for a touchdown Nov. 5. The Bearcats went on to win 28-7 over Fort Hayes State, Saturday afternoon at Lewis Field.

Seniors shoot for historic 43-1 record

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One regular season game remains as Northwest Missouri football shifts its focus to senior day, the season's biggest rivalry of the season and a possible first round bye in the NCAA playoffs.



Coach Adam Dorrel and the Bearcat football team lay claim to the program's longest win streak in program history at 25 games. As another statistic is added to the record books, the Bearcats now set their sights on rival Missouri Western and the senior day celebrations.

"There's so much at stake Saturday," Dorrel said.

Not only will 17 seniors be honored from the Bearcat football team, but a win would push the seniors' all-time regular season record to 43-1. A victory over the Griffons would also clinch an outright conference champion crown, which would be the 28th in program history.

"It's not easy doing what they've done," Dorrel said. "We're really hoping for a big crowd to come out and send those guys off in a really positive manner."

The Bearcats secured a piece of the conference crown last week after handing Fort Hays State a 28-7 defeat.

As MIAA co-champions, the Bearcats need to win if they are to get a guaranteed rest in the first round of yet another national championship run.

"You want to put your best foot forward to the selection committee and say 'we've done everything we can in our power,'" Dorrel said. "All I know is we can control how we play."

In last week's battle, the Bearcats faced the most adversity they had all season. After the win, senior defen-

sive end Collin Bevins was proud of how well the defense had performed for a full 60 minutes.

"It's a real confidence boost heading into the playoffs," Bevins said. "Having a game like that is huge. Having that four quarter battle under our belt was big."

Missouri Western will enter Bearcat Stadium with a four-game losing skid.

Despite a rocky record, the Griffons still hold claim to the No. 3-ranked total offense in the conference, along with the most rushing yards (2,306) in the MIAA. The Griffons look to spoil Northwest's perfect season as Dorrel enters the game with an all-time record of 4-2 against the Griffons.

"They are very athletic on defense," Dorrel said. "A very tough football team."

The Griffons possess one of the best Division II running backs in sophomore Josh Caldwell.

The youngster is No. 7 among all Division II running backs in total rushing yards. Not only is the back racking up the yards, he is also second in the country in rushing attempts as well.

"I think he draws a lot of attention," Dorrel said. "If he gets out in the open, he's gone. He's very very patient. He understands how his guys are blocking."

Though Northwest has had trouble with allowing big plays in early game situations, expect to see the Bearcats correct those mistakes.

"It's going to be an emotional day with those guys," Dorrel said. "College football is very unique. I'm really confident we will have a good week of preparation and be ready for Saturday."

NEXT GAME
Missouri Western @ Northwest
Nov. 12 @ 1:30 p.m.

Adversity from the other side of the whistle

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In every sporting event, a referee must be present to determine right or wrong.

Even when the call is right, half the stadium may disagree, but an official's life on and off the field is a completely different story.

When fans fill the seats of a stadium or gather around the television to watch a game, they usually have no interest in officials and only hope they do not blow their team's chance of winning.

No matter the sport, fans will find some way to blame officials for anything.

With this type of criticism and pressure, many may wonder why someone would want to be an offi-

cial. Jimbo Howey is in his 18th season as a National Football League official and he finds pleasure in the challenge of what he does.

"I really enjoy the challenge of officiating," Howey said. "To be successful means being able to handle the physical and mental challenges that are present in each game."

Missing calls is not an if, but a when for any official at any level. Howey's advice for up and coming officials is to trust yourself and learn from missteps.

"A person has to have a great deal of confidence in their ability to constantly perform at a very high level," Howey said. "When mistakes are made, you have to treat them as a learning opportunity so that, hopefully, in the future, the mistakes will not be repeated."

After Howey's playing days

were over, he wanted some way to stay around athletics and he found that in officiating.

He officiated high school football, basketball, baseball and softball before moving to college football and basketball. He was an official in the Atlantic Coast Conference for seven years before he joined the NFL in 1999.

Former coach Kelly Martin has been officiating Division II and NAIA Women's basketball for 26 years and NAIA football for 16 years. Martin says the criticism and scrutiny officials receive is something they have to deal with and embrace.

"It is important to go into officiating with a willingness to accept that criticism, fair or not, it is a part of the game," Martin said. "I tell young officials that in general, the criticism is not personal but rather

directed at the uniform."

Coaches and players on all levels have a drive to succeed at their sports. So justified or not, their frustrations are often taken out on the officials.

"Sometimes a coach is right and I have to be humble enough to accept that and make an adjustment," Martin said. "I don't take it personally, and if a coach chooses to get personal, every rule book offers a solution."

Whether it is the ball hitting the glove of a catcher, a running back and a linebacker meeting in the hole or a point guard driving to the basket, an official must be able to keep up with the speed of the action during a game.

"After a while, I worked hard at developing a reputation and worked up the ranks," Martin said. "The most difficult part right now is keeping myself physically ready to work

each night at a high level."

The camaraderie of athletes on a team is well documented. Long-time officials share a similar bond that is unknown to most fans.

"There is a brotherhood within the staff of the officials and especially within the crew," Howey said. "We work together on the field but we also talk about and support each other with issues outside of officiating."

Through officiating, Howey has built relationships and made memories he will cherish for the rest of his life.

"My best memories are not about games, but rather about the people that I have met through officiating," Howey said. "The regular season games, playoff games and pro bowls just are games but the friendships are forever."

Bearcats punch ticket to nationals

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The Bearcat men's cross country team is headed to the national championships for the first time under coach Scott Lorek.

The men claimed third place at the Central Region Championship Saturday Nov. 5, earning them a trip to nationals Nov. 19.

Lorek is exceptionally proud of how his men performed at regionals. All seven of his runners recorded their personal bests at 10,000 meters, and three of them finished in the top 10 out of 170.

"I am ecstatic right now," Lorek said. "It just went extremely well, and as an overall team, I don't think we could have possibly done even one second better than we did. I think the whole team was just completely optimal."

Lorek knew his team had the potential to do well heading into the regional championships. Its perfor-



mance Saturday surpassed what he was expecting, and he was pleasantly surprised with its finish.

"I thought their chances of doing really well were there, but this is even better than I hoped for," Lorek said. "Our goal was to be in the top four, and we got third, and we were only 18 points out of first behind the No. 5 ranked team in the country."

Northwest was led by sophomore Brayden Clews-Proctor, who finished in second place, with a time of 30:56.16. Nolan Zimmer finished less than a second behind Clews-Proctor, with a time of 31:20.12 to earn a sixth place finish. The final Bearcat to crack the top 10 was senior Wick Cunningham, who finished in eighth place with a time of 31:25.96.

Overall, Northwest finished with 83 points, which is only 15 points behind Missouri Southern, who finished in second place. Augustana claimed the Central Region title with a score of 65.

Clews-Proctor could not be hap-

pier with his performance at regionals. Coming into the meet, he was confident he could do well, but his finish was better than he imagined.

"I was ranked third in the region individually, so to beat the guy ranked right ahead of me was good," Clews-Proctor said. "I was going for top three, so I was really happy with second."

Cunningham, who was injured for a majority of the season, also finished in fantastic time. He was confident that everyone would perform to the best of their abilities and claim a national championship birth.

"I actually thought we had a good chance to get third," Cunningham said. "Our goal was to get top four, because that is what gets to nationals, but I thought we had a solid team, and I was really encouraged by everyone."

Cunningham is the only Bearcat that has experience running in the national championship meet.

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Seniors Nolan Zimmer (left) and Johnny Harley (right) will travel to St. Leo, Florida, with the rest of the varsity men's team for the NCAA Championship race.